

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 2, 4-7, 12, 16-17, and 22-42

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- 1 (Currently Amended).      A golf club head comprising:
- a body composed of a magnesium alloy material, the body comprising at least a portion of a sole and a portion of a crown of the golf club head; and
- a plating deposited on the portion of the sole of the body, the plating comprising a layer composed of a nickel or a nickel-based alloy material, and at least one additional layer composed of a material selected from the group consisting of zinc, chromium, tin-cobalt and copper, wherein the plating has a mass ranging from 1.0 gram to 3.0 grams and a thickness ranging from 0.0002 inch to 0.002 inch;
- wherein the golf club head has a mass ranging from 180 grams to 225 grams, a volume ranging from 350 cubic centimeters to 465 cubic centimeters, and a moment of inertia about the Izz axis of the golf club head is greater than 3000 g-cm<sup>2</sup>.

2 (Canceled).

3 (Original).    The golf club head according to claim 1 wherein the nickel or nickel-based alloy material comprises a layer of MAGENTA electroless nickel and a layer of medium or high phosphorus electroless nickel.

4-7 (Canceled).

8 (Currently Amended). The golf club head according to claim 1 wherein the plating ~~further~~ comprises a zinc layer on the magnesium alloy material of the body, a copper layer on the zinc layer, the nickel or nickel-based alloy on the copper layer, and a tin-cobalt or chromium layer on the nickel or nickel-based alloy layer.

9 (Original). The golf club head according to claim 1 wherein the plating has a Rockwell C hardness greater than 50.

10 (Original). The golf club head according to claim 1 further comprising a plating material on the crown portion of the body.

11 (Currently Amended). A golf club head comprising:  
a face component composed of a metal material, the face component having a striking plate portion and a return portion, the striking plate portion having a thickness in the range of 0.010 inch to 0.250 inch and the return portion having a thickness ranging from 0.010 inch to 0.250 inch, wherein the face component has a mass ranging from 65 grams to 95 grams;

an aft-body composed of a metal material selected from the group consisting of magnesium, magnesium alloys, aluminum, and aluminum alloys, the aft-body having a crown portion, a sole portion and a ribbon portion, the aft-body attached to

the return portion of the face component wherein the aft-body has a mass ranging from 10 grams to 60 grams;

a plurality of weight members having a combined mass ranging from 30 grams to 120 grams, each of the plurality of weight members disposed with a weight cavity of the aft-body; and

a plating layer disposed on the aft-body, the plating layer comprising a layer composed of a nickel or a nickel-based alloy material, and at least one additional layer composed of a material selected from the group consisting of zinc, chromium, tin-cobalt and copper, wherein the plating has a mass ranging from 1.0 gram to 3.0 grams and a thickness ranging from 0.0002 inch to 0.002 inch;

wherein the golf club head has a mass ranging from 180 grams to 225 grams, a volume ranging from 350 cubic centimeters to 465 cubic centimeters, and a moment of inertia about the Izz axis of the golf club head is greater than 3000 g-cm<sup>2</sup>.

12 (Canceled).

13 (Currently Amended). The golf club head according to claim 11 wherein the plating layer comprises a layer of MAGENTA electroless nickel and a layer of medium or high phosphorus electroless nickel.

14 (Currently Amended). The golf club head according to claim 11 wherein the plating ~~layer further~~ comprises a zinc layer on the metal aft-body, a copper layer on the

zinc layer, the nickel or nickel-based alloy on the copper layer, and a tin-cobalt or chromium layer on the nickel or nickel-based alloy layer.

15 (Original). The golf club head according to claim 11 wherein the aft-body is composed of an injection molded metal material.

16-17 (Canceled).

18 (Original). The golf club head according to claim 11 wherein the face component is composed of a metal material selected from the group consisting of titanium alloy, amorphous metal, stainless steel and maraging steel.

19 (Original). The golf club head according to claim 11 wherein the nickel or nickel-based alloy is deposited by an electrolytic process.

20 (Original). The golf club head according to claim 11 wherein the nickel or nickel-based alloy is deposited by an electroless process.

21 (Currently Amended). A golf club head comprising:

a face component composed of a metal material, the face component having a striking plate portion and a return portion, the striking plate portion having a thickness in the range of 0.010 inch to 0.250 inch and the return portion having a thickness ranging from 0.010 inch to 0.250 inch, the return portion extending a distance

ranging 0.25 inch to 1.5 inches, wherein the face component has a mass ranging from 65 grams to 95 grams;

an aft-body comprising an upper section and a lower section, the upper section comprising a crown portion and an upper ribbon portion and the lower section comprising a sole portion and a lower ribbon portion, the aft-body composed of a metal material selected from the group consisting of magnesium, magnesium alloys, aluminum, and aluminum alloys, the aft-body attached to the return portion of the face component, the aft-body having a thickness ranging from 0.015 inch to 0.100 inch, wherein the aft-body has a mass ranging from 10 grams to 60 grams;

a plurality of weight members having a combined mass ranging from 30 grams to 120 grams, each of the plurality of weight members disposed with a weight cavity of the aft-body; and

a plating ~~layer~~ disposed on the aft-body, the plating ~~layer~~ comprising nickel or a nickel-based alloy material, and at least one additional layer composed of a material selected from the group consisting of zinc, chromium, tin-cobalt and copper, the plating ~~layer~~ having a thickness ranging from 0.0002 inch to 0.002 inch and a mass ranging from 1.0 gram to 3.0 grams;

wherein the golf club head has a mass ranging from 180 grams to 225 grams, a volume ranging from 350 cubic centimeters to 465 cubic centimeters, and a moment of inertia about the Izz axis of the golf club head is greater than 3000 g-cm<sup>2</sup>.